

Roxbury, Aug. 9, 1872.

Dear Wendell:

We shall expect to see you and the family in all next week — the sooner the better.

Frank and I start for Concord, Centre Harbor and the Lake to-morrow noon, and shall aim to get home by Wednesday night, or on Thursday. It is a trip that we have talked of taking for the last four years. We shall have Mr. and Mrs. Blanchard for our companions from Concord. They were with us on our Switzerland trip, and added much to its enjoyment. Mrs. B. is the sister of Mrs. Sarah Pillsbury.

Judge Hoar writes to William that the Eastern Railroad Co. have paid over the stipulated sum, (\$25,000, and all expenses — about \$2500 more,)

and it is in the bank awaiting his order. It is a happy circumstance to have it so amicably and satisfactorily settled.

Alfred Webb, of Dublin, writes that he and his wife will speedily be on their way to this country, to make a flying visit. He is anxious to see some of his father's old friends before it is too late.

My letter to Sumner is attracting much more attention than I anticipated. In this week's Independent I have often criticisms upon him. I see it announced that he intends replying to me. So be it.

I hope you are enjoying your sojourn at Watch Hill. Give my compliments to your landlord for his polite invitation, and loving regards to Lucy, and a warm hug for Lloyd and Philip. Your mother is quite well.

Your loving Father.